

ment spirit of our soldiers. Two weeks ago Butler evacuated the island in great haste, and was gone no more than a few days. He left his troops on the island, and he left his ships in the harbor. He left his stores on the island, and he left his property on the island. He left his family on the island, and he left his friends on the island. He left his everything on the island, and he left his nothing on the island.

Since my last lively business has been done by the blockade breakers, with mixed success. I may not say how many vessels have successfully got out of port, nor may I say what have successfully got in, except such as the enemy know of as well as we. One has been captured about eight miles from the mouth of the harbor. She was a schooner, and was carrying a cargo of sugar. She was captured by the Union forces, and was taken to the harbor. She was then sold to the Union forces, and was used as a transport ship.

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## THE RECENT STORM.

Effect of the Storm in New York.

OUR HOUSES DOWN—OUR UNFORTUNATELY DAMAGED TO SHIPMENT, ETC.

The storm which raged in this city on Monday afternoon and evening was of a much more serious nature than we supposed, one house having been blown down, another unroofed, chimneys demolished, the shipping considerably damaged, and several persons injured.

Great havoc was done among the churches, and the people of the different churches rocked to and fro in the most fearful manner, some threatening to come down.

It was certainly the severest gale we have experienced of this season, and was accompanied by a biting frost. The wind continued to blow a stiff gale yesterday, and the air was piercingly cold.

The following is a list of the casualties as far as we could learn:

At about five o'clock a new five-story building, belonging to Horatio N. Hurdle, in Fifty-seventh street, near Avenue A, was blown down by the force of the wind, which, in that section of the city, raged with terrific violence.

A sign at No. 18 West street was blown down, striking John Mills on the shoulder, and inflicting him seriously.

The chimney of the house No. 26 West Houston street was blown down.

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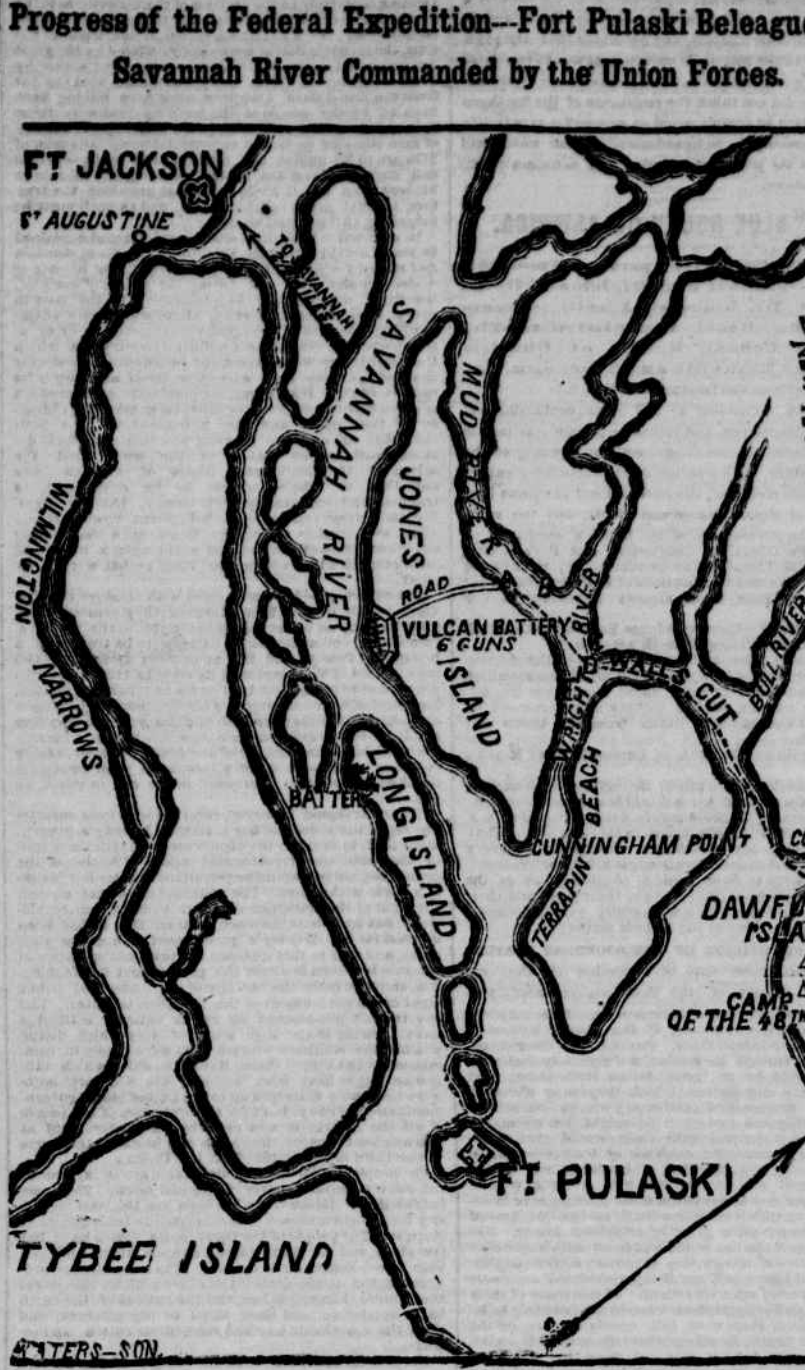
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## THE SIEGE OF SAVANNAH.

Progress of the Federal Expedition—Fort Pulaski Beleaguered—Savannah River Commanded by the Union Forces.



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We present to-day to the readers of the HERALD an accurate map, showing the topography and hydrography of the approaches to Savannah, and the progress made by the Union forces in the beleaguering of the city, and the relative positions of the Federal fortifications on Long Island and Jones Island. Access to Savannah by way of Wilmington Narrows was decided, after nearly two weeks of reconnoitering by the Union fleet, under the command of Commodore Dupont, to be impracticable, by reason of the obstructions in the channel, but not without immense labor and perseverance, the way was clear for progressive operations.

The completion of the work was communicated to General Sherman, who, on the 12th inst., ordered the expedition to proceed to the mouth of the Cooper river, and proceeded in the morning, accompanied by the fleet, to the mouth of the Cooper river, and proceeded in the morning, accompanied by the fleet, to the mouth of the Cooper river.

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## NEWS FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

Progress of the Burnside Expedition—The Expedition Up the Chowan River—The Enemy in Force at Winton—The Town Shelled, &c.

The steamer *Baltimore*, which left here several days ago with ammunition for the Burnside expedition, returned from Hatteras about twelve o'clock to-day, having left yesterday afternoon.

The news by the *Baltimore* is not of special interest. The burning of Winton by the Union forces is confirmed.

The Ninth New York regiment had made an expedition up the Chowan river, with three gunboats, but having found the enemy in full force, returned without making an attack.

The object of the expedition of the Ninth New York regiment was to destroy the railroad bridge on the Blackwater and Chowan rivers. The enemy, however, was discovered in large force at Winton, and no landing was made.

The enemy fired at our gunboats, and in retaliation the town was shelled.

The greater part of the Burnside expedition was still at Roanoke Island, and General Williams' brigade at Hatteras, had received orders to proceed there.

The S. R. Spaulding left Roanoke Island on Friday for Elizabeth City, with the prisoners taken by General Burnside. They were paroled for exchange.

The Spaulding had left Roanoke Island for Fortress Monroe, and will be due here to-morrow.

Among the passengers by the *Baltimore* is Chas. Henry Foster, who was yesterday reported killed at Winton by Southern papers.

The election ordered by the Provisional Governor of North Carolina to take place on Saturday, resulted, as far as the returns have been received, in the re-election of Mr. Foster to Congress. The ordinances of the Convention were also ratified.

Captain Howard's battery went to Newport News to-day.

The Mississippi, from Boston, arrived here about noon to-day.

A fire broke out here in the building occupied by the negroes opposite the hotel, about half-past four o'clock to-day, when, with all the adjoining buildings, were entirely destroyed. The buildings were of little value and the loss is fully covered by insurance.

The laying of the telegraph cable was progressing satisfactorily at last accounts.

Letters to the South.

FORRESTER MONROE, Va., Feb. 23, 1862.

A recent order of the War Department prohibits the transmission of private letters through the lines of the United States troops to persons living in the enemy's country, and requires officers of the army to send such letters to the head letter office in the city of Washington.

Exception to this rule is made in favor of letters addressed to officers and men detained as prisoners by the insurgents.

It is, therefore, useless to send private letters to this post to be transmitted by "flags of truce" to Norfolk, as they must either be returned to the writers or sent to the head letter office.

Please publish the foregoing in your next issue for the information of persons having correspondents in the rebel States.

J. ROBERTS, Major United States Army.

Important from Kentucky.

Gambett Reconnoissance Towards Columbus—Prolonged Conference With the Rebel Officers.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24, 1862.

An expedition, composed of four iron-clad gunboats and two mortar boats, with the Twenty-seventh Illinois and a battalion of the Eighth Wisconsin regiments, made a reconnoissance down the river this morning, and discovered that the rebels had seized all the flatboats and skiffs as far up as they dared to come; also, that there had been a movement among the troops at Columbus.

Whether reinforcements had arrived was not learned. The gunboats and mortar boats were getting into position on the Missouri side of the river, when a rebel steamer, with a white flag, made its appearance. Some word of officers came on board the *Cincinnati*, and a consultation took place, lasting over two hours, with what result has not been made known; but the expedition has returned.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 25, 1862.

The Ninth Ohio and Second Minnesota this afternoon received two splendid flags from the loyal ladies of Louisville, in commemoration of their victory at Mill Spring, January 19. Considerable enthusiasm attended the presentation.

THE FORT DONELSON FIGHT.

The Loss in Gen. McClernand's Division.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25, 1862.

The official returns show 321 killed, 1,094 wounded, and 150 missing in General McClernand's division, at the fight at Fort Donelson.

The official list of the killed and wounded in the Indian Territory at the battle of Fort Donelson is as follows: Killed, 11; wounded, 10. Twenty-fifth killed, 15; wounded, 100. Thirty-first, wounded, 8. Forty-fourth, wounded, 9. Fifty-second, killed, 8; wounded, 62.

General Buckner and staff, including Majors Cady, Hays and Cassity, Captains Thomas J. Clay, Charles Johnson, and F. H. McDonald, and J. N. Gallagher, General Buckner's private secretary, reached here at one o'clock to-day morning, with 300 other prisoners, among whom were Major Cranberry, of General Tilgham's staff; Major Herbert Dillam, and Captain Moorhead, of Rushed Johnson's staff; Captain Frank Manney, formerly of Garibaldi's of Tennessee and Kentucky artillery; and Infantry; Surgeons Charles Whitney and W. G. Owen, of Washington City.

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News from the Upper Potomac.

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